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!! THERE IS NO PROGRAM SCHEDULED FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 14th !!

### COMING EVENTS

#### COCKTAIL PARTY

Wednesday, January 23rd ----- Clubrooms, 1475 Broadway  
5:30 - 7:30 PM -- Admission: Members - \$1, Guests \$1.50

#### ADVENTURING ALONG SOVIET FRONTIERS

by

HON. WILLIAM O. DOUGLAS  
Associate Justice, U. S. Supreme Court

Author of the new Harper & Bros. book, "Strange Lands And Friendly People", Justice Douglas spent several months in 1949-50 in Iran, Syria, Lebanon, Israel and India. He has chosen a provocative subject for his OPC address: "Adventuring Along Soviet Frontiers". The verb is apt, for of all the Supreme Court dignitaries, Justice Douglas certainly is the most adventurous -- as numerous newspaper stories about his escapades, on horseback and off, testify. Join us week after next to welcome this distinguished jurist.

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VICTOR LASKY writing a study of musician Billy Eckstein .. It's the "JONES Trio" now! For CHARLES and EUGENE JONES, famed as NBC-TV's twin-cameraman team, have now accepted a partner -- publicist Natalie Reiff who became Mrs. JONES (EUGENE, that is) not long ago. On January 23 the trio are off to Europe -- all for NBC-TV -- on a six-month filming trip. So it's not just the "JONES twins" -- it's the "JONES Trio"! ... Radio Daily, television and radio trade publication, has named EDWARD R. MURROW as top commentator of the year in its "Favorites of 1951" poll ...

: Club Members extend condolences to New York Timesman RICHARD :  
: THOMAS who lost both his parents in a tragic automobile acci- :  
: dent the day after Christmas ... :

ALLYN BAUM, UP Berlin news-picture bureau manager, plugged in an Editor & Publisher ad last week, next to EDWARD M. KORRY, UP Berlin bureau manager. They had gotten a hot story from Capt. Dave Henderson, one of the four U.S. fliers recently ransomed from Hungary ...

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In the news again this week was the sensational "Holohan story", first broken in True magazine by European chief MICHAEL STERN. A judicial investigation has been ordered, following under-wraps testimony given a House of Representatives subcommittee by STERN, who recounted facts uncovered in the strange death in Italy of O.S.S. Maj. William V. Holohan ... Scripps-Howard prexy ROY HOWARD pleased over a personal letter from Syngman Rhee, president of the Republic of Korea, on aid given by the S-H newspapers to his people in their defense against Communist aggression ... Atlanta Constitution editor RALPH MCGILL pens a piece on Carl Sandburg for the debut issue of the new, enlarged Journal and Constitution Magazine, launched January 6 ...

CHARLES ROBBINS this week was named story editor of the American Weekly, which he joined January 2. ROBBINS was formerly an associate editor of Coronet ... GEROLD FRANK assumed his new duties as Coronet associate editor January 7 ... On January 14 United Features Syndicate releases a series of five sensational articles on Russia by RICHARD C. HOTTELET, former Moscow correspondent ...

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A New Year's message to loyal former staffers of Argentina's La Prensa, from Dr. ALBERTO GAINZA PAZ, predicted the resurgence and victory of freedom "over iniquity, crime and treason in Argentina". The letter was sent in response to a year's end greeting sent Dr. GAINZA PAZ in exile in Uruguay by several hundred veteran La Prensa employes who refused to work for the government agency now operating the newspaper ...

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## CLUB CALENDAR

Admissions Committee Meeting ..... Clubrooms ..... Monday, January 14, 6:15 PM

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: NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS :  
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ACTIVE: Gene Farmer, picture editor, Life London bureau; deputy bureau chief, Time London bureau. England, from November 1950 to present, for Time-Life. Proposed by WILLIAM P. GRAY; seconded by DONALD BURKE.

GUEST: Manfred George, New York and U.S. correspondent for Nationalzeitung, of Switzerland, and other European newspapers. Proposed by MAX RODEN; seconded by LOUIS P. LOCHNER.

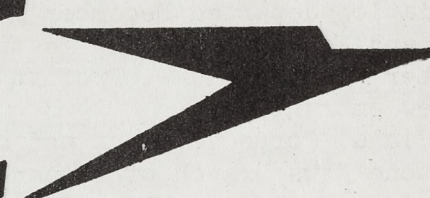
Walter Schuck, U.S. and Canadian correspondent for Handelsblatt of Dusseldorf, West Germany, since September 1951. Proposed by LOUIS P. LOCHNER; seconded by LEONARD S. SMITH.

ARMED FORCE: Col. William Mayer, Public Information, Headquarters First Army. Proposed by Lt. COL. ROSWELL P. ROSENGREN; seconded by WYTHE WILLIAMS.

RICHARD HANSER has resigned as film writer for RKO-Pathe to join the NBC documentary television project, "Victory at Sea" ... Off on a swing through Europe and the Middle East for the Reader's Digest is free-lancer DON ROBINSON

WORLD TELLY's HUGH CONWAY is just back from Africa and Europe, covering special assignments. He reports that the new A-bomb air bases in North Africa are coming along fine, but that economically the outlook is black in Europe.

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It's a girl for the ANGUS THUERMERS! Born on Pearl Harbor Day, December 7. Congratulations! ...SANTA (extra-belatedly) GREETs THE OPC: Cordial greetings from MAURICE A. CARRIE, of France-Presse, in London. CURT L. HEYMANN, roving correspondent for United Nations World, postcards from Paris, "They killed Santa Claus over here (reference to governmental debunking of Saint Nick) and foreign correspondents were asked: Do you believe in Santa" I looked at my bank balance for the month of December and answered, Yes, I do." .. From Stockholm, PAT NEIBURG sends an "invitation to the gang to stop for a drink"...

PAULA LeCLER is back at her Gramercy Park Hotel home after a summer and fall spent in Berlin, Yugoslavia, West Germany and elsewhere in Western Europe, writing for North American Newspaper Alliance and the Transradio Press Service, which recently suspended operations ... Home in Brooklyn for Christmas and New Years and now off for three months in Cuba is STANLEY ROSS...

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Esquire travel editor RICHARD JOSEPH has two new travel books coming out this spring. His "World Wide Travel Guide" will be published February 7, while "Your Trip to Britain" is scheduled for April 10. Both by Doubleday.

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STUART GRIFFIN's new book, "Japan in Pictures, 1945-1951", is off the presses and available for order at \$3.25 per copy. GRIFFIN advises Club Library has display copy ...

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HENRY J. TAYLOR has just begun his seventh consecutive year broadcasting his seventh General Motors show, "Your Land and Mine". Since returning from overseas at the war's end, he has made a total of 468 broadcasts for General Motors; has never missed a broadcast; has never had a substitute; has never taken a vacation interval; and has never been off the air since 1945! Quite a record! Congratulations! ... Past President BOB CONSIDINE in Washington to cover the Churchill visit for INS ...

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: Did you miss the special announcement by Secretary-Treasurer JOSEPH J. :  
: WURZEL in The Bulletin last week? If so, check on it at once. This an- :  
: nouncement contains details of the possible group participation by the :  
: OPC in one or both of two insurance plans of direct benefit to many Mem- :  
: bers. If you are interested, please write Club Headquarters immediately. :  
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\* THE OVERSEAS TICKER \*  
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TOKYO DATELINE: -- (Special to The Bulletin) -- The Tokyo Correspondents Club on December 14 held a VIP cocktail party at which some of the top military and civilian "brass" consumed refreshments, hobnobbed with lowly newsmen and swapped stories. Center of photographers was Ambassador John Foster Dulles. The party included other

ambassadors, some senators, a few generals, a couple of admirals, several Japanese officials and publishers and the club members -- who were excellent hosts.

Gene Symonds, Popular UP staff member, left December 11 for Manila, by way of Hong Kong, where he will become UP chief correspondent and manager ... A.W.H. Birmann of the Swiss Press Association departed December 15 for Hong Kong en route to Switzerland after several weeks in Japan and Korea collecting features ... Ben Wickersham and Earl Theisen of Look magazine arrived December 9 ... David W. Profitt and the Rev. Eugene C. Blake, correspondents for Presbyterian Life, are new entrants ...

Signal Corps sergeant and motion picture man Thomas McAllen made a profitable switch to the Movietone News branch of UP here recently ... U.S. newspapers are encouraging special shipments of Christmas gifts to UN soldiers in Korea and in hospitals in Japan. In turn, tape recording reporters for the radio branch of PIO, GHQ, are collecting greetings from soldiers to kin for Christmas broadcasts over hometown stations ... And the network correspondents are working up their own special shows to help spread the holiday spirit -- (JACOBUS TenBERGE).



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The Philadelphia Enquirer's IVAN (Cy) PETERMAN just back from a nine-week assignment through Europe, in which he covered the British election, opening weeks of the UN General Assembly, NATO proceedings in Rome -- and then a tour of U.S. military installations (visiting old friends with the 1st, 28th and 2nd Armored Divisions) in Germany. In a television-trans-Atlantic hookup on election eve, PETERMAN predicted Churchill's part would win narrowly -- by about 15 seats! (Conservatives won 17 more than Laborites). Also broke the "coals-to-European Newcastles" story, on shipment of U.S. coal to countries where plenty of diggable coal exists. Hit the States again December 23 with British wife and 10-year-old daughter ... H. V. KALTENBORN, dean of radio commentators, began 1952 by starting his thirteenth year with NBC with the same sponsor ...

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BENNETT CERF guests on "Who Said That?" January 14 before taking a prolonged vacation next month, during which his Saturday Review column will be guested by Laura Z. Hobson ... Off aboard the "Ile de France" for a six-week stay in Paris is Hortense MacDONALD ... The Washington Times-Herald's TV editor has selected LAWRENCE SPIVAK's "Meet the Press" show as the year's "best news panel" ...

Commentator CECIL BROWN's view of the Korean War situation this week: "We want peace in Korea. The Chinese Reds have reserved a desire for it. But the Russians won't permit it" ... A Broadway column (Walter Winchell's) reports, "KATHRYN CRAVENS, author of "Pursuit of Gentlemen", enjoyed Dallas, except for its burglars." Anyone any details? ...



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MARKEL REPORTS ON PROGRESS OF ) An optimistic report on operations of the new International  
INTERNATIONAL PRESS INSTITUTE ) Press Institute was made to an OPC Roundtable at the Clubrooms  
BEFORE PRESS CLUB ROUNDTABLE ) on January 3 by Lester Markel, founder-chairman of the IPI and  
editor of the New York Times Sunday Magazine. Already four re-  
search projects have been launched by the IPI, which maintains headquarters in Geneva, Mr. Markel  
said, of which most important is the one involving the "flow of news".

Financed by part of the \$270,000 grant received from the Ford and Rockefeller Foundations, this program will study the kind of news exchanged by various nations and the techniques each country uses in presenting the news to its citizens. "Already we have received cooperation from the major wire services", Mr. Markel said. Basic belief thus far established, according to Mr. Markel, is that "the editors are not playing the news as they should." He later elaborated to say that editors claim it is their publishers who must first be convinced of how news should be played. Preceding an IPI meeting to be held in Paris in May, a drive for membership has begun in 24 countries.

In the question period, Chairman BRUNO SHAW of the Freedom of News Committee pointed out that, equally important with the "flow of news", was protection of American correspondents to do their jobs. He cited the case of jailed AP newsman William N. Oatis. Mr. Markel replied he agreed, but did not know what the IPI could do to further the fight for his release. Also, he said, the IPI did not want to duplicate work already being done by other organizations -- such as the Overseas Press Club.

Answering another question about ways to stimulate increased coverage here of foreign news, Mr. Markel said he thought "most U.S. newspapers are covering too much local news. Many have even abdicated the responsibility to news magazines. The AP can do a tremendous job in interpreting foreign news and can arouse interest in local papers to print it."

Among those present at the meeting, opened by WILLIAM P. GRAY and chaired by SANFORD GRIFFITH were MARY HORNADAY, NORBERT MUHLEN, GERALDINE SARTAIN, GERTRUDE SAMUELS, B. MATHIEU, LARRY BLOCHMAN, HELEN BUCKLER and DOROTHY FISCHER, to whom The Bulletin is indebted for this report.

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EGYPTIAN SCHOLAR, NEWSMAN ) An American and Egyptian journalist agreed at an OPC Roundtable  
AGREE THEY CANNOT AGREE ) on January 7 that Communism stands to gain most from the Egyptian  
ON MIDDLE EAST CRISIS ) crisis, but were poles apart, on who was to blame. Egypt's position  
was defended by Prof. Hussein Kamel Bey Selim, Dean of Commerce at  
Fuad University, Cairo, and described as "indefensible" by Ray Brock, American correspondent and author of "Blood, Oil and Sand", a report of his observations in the Middle East.

While admitting that "Britain may be able to maintain her position by force", Professor Selim warned that by doing so, "she will dangerously retard her own recovery, alienate Arab sentiment and directly encourage the spread of Communism". Conceding Egypt's right to "real independence", Brock insisted that "Egypt's political position is indefensible, cheaply imitative of Iran and ruinous to any long-range planning for a unified command to defend the Middle East against the ravages of Communism and the excesses of Arab fanaticism."

Professor Selim said the rift could be mended if Egypt's army is "equipped and trained by the West as the Turkish army has been", adding, "in this way Egypt will be made responsible for defense of her territory and will naturally be glad to accept Western help in case of Soviet attack. British troops, relieved of the defense of the Suez, could join the army of Europe, where they are badly needed, or help in the defense of Britain herself."

Presiding at the meeting was Past President LOUIS P. LOCHNER. Members and guests participating in the discussion included Past President WYTHE WILLIAMS, ELIOT ELISOFON, Judge N. F. ALLMANN, WAMBLY BALD, PAT DUNN, D. B. ROSENWALD, MATTHEW HUTTNER, HARRY LEWIS, O'CARROLL COLVIN, LEN SMITH, HUGH CONWAY and others.

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